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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Hawaii Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Advisory Panel (AP) to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

**DATES:** The Hawaii Archipelago FEP AP will meet on Thursday, February 15, 2018, from 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. All times listed are local island times. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The Hawaii Archipelago FEP AP will meet at the Council Office, 1164 Bishop St, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813 and by teleconference. The teleconference will be conducted by telephone. The teleconference numbers are: U.S. toll-free: 1-888-482-3560 or International Access: +1 647 723-3959, and Access Code: 5228220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds,  
Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management  
Council; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Public comment periods will be  
provided in the agenda. The order in which agenda items are  
addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as  
necessary to complete scheduled business.

**Schedule and Agenda for the Hawaii Archipelago FEP AP  
Meeting**

*Thursday, February 15, 2018, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.*

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Report on Previous Council Action Items
3. Council Issues
- A. Precious Corals Essential Fish Habitat Refinement

Options

- B. Options for an Aquaculture Management Program
- C. Hawaii Longline Shallow-set Fishery Hard Cap

Options

4. Hawaii FEP Community Activities
5. Hawaii FEP AP Issues
- A. Report of the Subpanels
- i. Island Fisheries Subpanel
- ii. Pelagic Fisheries Subpanel

- iii. Ecosystems and Habitat Subpanel
- iv. Indigenous Fishing Rights Subpanel
- B. Other Issues
- 6. Public Comment
- 7. Discussion and Recommendations
- 8. Other Business

**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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